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June 13, 2001

Dolly Potter, Environmental Engineer Solvay Minerals P.O. Box 1167 Green River, WY 82935

RE: Solvay Minerals Green River Soda Ash Plant

Temporary waiver

Dear Ms. Potter:

The Air Quality Division has reviewed your request dated June 12, 2001 to temporarily operate the "D" train Dryer #6 (AQD #82) at a production rate higher than the 161 ton per hour (TPH) production rate limit set by Chapter 6, Section 2 expansion permit CT-1347. Preliminary compliance test results performed on June 11, 2001 at a production rate of 150 TPH show particulate emissions (front half only) at 1 pound per hour and NOx emissions at 24 pounds per hour. CT-1347 limits particulate emissions for the dryer to 3.45 pounds per hour and limits NOx emissions to 30.00 pounds per hour.

The Division finds the temporary increase in the "D" train Dryer #6 (AQD #82) production rate for testing purposes will result in insignificant emissions and ambient air quality impact. Therefore, additional permitting requirements are hereby temporarily waived under authority of Chapter 6, Section 2 (k)(viii) of the Wyoming Air Quality Standards and Regulations (WAQSR). This temporary waiver is valid until June 30, 2001.

The Division is issuing this temporary waiver based on the information submitted in your June 12, 2001 letter. Any deviation in the operation of this facility from what is represented in your letter which could result in a significant increase in pollutant emission rates or ambient impact will be a violation of the WAQSR. Violations could result in enforcement actions and penalties under the law. Solvay Minerals will be allowed to operate the "D" Dryer #6 (AQD #82) at the increased production rate for the purpose of performance testing only. At the end of the performance testing Solvay Minerals will return to a production rate of not more than 161 TPH.

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Please call the Lander field office at 307-332-6755 if you have questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

Dan Olson Administrator

Air Quality Division

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